

Proceedings of the Commissioners

The Sheridan County Board of Commissioners (BOC) met on Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at the County Courthouse. Notice of the meeting was published on the county website sheridancounty.ne.gov. The meeting was open to the public and a ZOOM connection was also available. Present were Chairman Bruce Messersmith, Commissioners Dan Kling and James Krotz, County Clerk Sindy Coburn, Assessor Tina Skinner, Treasurer Renee Thies and Road Superintendent Rich Cross.

Acting as the Board of Equalization (BOE) the Commissioners reviewed and approved a correction sheet to accelerate the personal property taxes for JD Broadcasting which has been sold.

The BOE approved the late filing of a homestead exemption for Elizabeth Stanko. Clerk Sindy Coburn reported that the BOE reviewed a total of 187 Property Valuation Protests this year.

The Board of Commissioners approved a Resolution to certify to the State the County's compliance with the Nebraska Department of Road classification program. The certification is required in order to qualify the county for State funds.

The BOC approved an application by the Fuel Grill in Gordon for a special use permit to be submitted to the State Liquor Commission. The request is to serve beer at the Monster Truck event at the county fairgrounds on August 25 & 26 from 5:00 pm to midnight.

Road Superintendent Richard Cross reported that recent storms continue to thwart efforts to grade roads except for repairs to the worst spots.

Cross reported that a county crew dug 9 test holes west of the Talon gravel pit north of Rushville. Material from the site is being "sieve tested" and the results should be available at the next meeting.

Cross presented a communication from the South Dakota Department of Transportation requesting the County's opinion regarding the continued maintenance of 790th Road. It is the opinion of the BOC that the repair project initiated in February of 2009 is complete and the agreement has expired. The 3-mile section of the road west from White Clay is on South Dakota land.

Phyllis Lindsey and David Russell of the Sheridan County Ag. Society appeared to report on the recent County Fair and Rodeo.

Dustin Will of Benefit Management presented a number of health insurance plans for consideration. The Commissioners will discuss the proposals with the other elected officials on August 15, and hope to decide on a new plan on August 22.

The BOC interviewed two applicants for the position of County Road Superintendent.

The next meeting of the BOE and BOC will be Tuesday, August 15.

The minutes of this and all meetings of the Board of Commissioners will be available to the public at the office of the Sheridan County Clerk and are also available online at sheridancounty.ne.gov. All meetings of the Board of Commissioners are held in compliance with Nebraska Open Meetings Act and the public is always welcome. Submitted by James Krotz